GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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DIVERSION OF UNITS TO SEZS .
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Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) Whether instances seeking diversion of existing businesses to Special Economic Zones has come to the notice of the Government;

(b) If so, the details thereof alongwith the Special Economic Zones where these businesses have been sought to be diverted; and

(c) The reasons for this migration alongwith the steps taken by the Government to check this practice?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) to (c) Existing units are not allowed to be converted into SEZs as the sprit of the SEZ Scheme is to attract fresh investment. Therefore, Board of Approval does not grant approvals for diversion of existing business to Special Economic Zone.